

The massacre remains a matter of great historical, cultural and spiritual importance to the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes, and is a pivotal event in the history of relations between the Plains Indians and Euro-American settlers.

The effort to establish the Sand Creek National Historic Site was led by former Senator Ben Campbell of Colorado. It has gone through several stages:

The Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site Study Act (Public Law 105-243) directed the National Park Service, in consultation with the State of Colorado, the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes of Oklahoma, the Northern Cheyenne Tribe, and the Northern Arapaho Tribe, to complete two tasks. First, the Act directed the Park Service to "identify the location and extent of the massacre area." Second, the Act directed the Park Service to prepare a report that assessed the national significance of the Sand Creek Massacre site, the suitability and feasibility of designating it as a unit of the National Park System, and a range of alternatives for the management, administration, and protection of the area.

Following completion of these studies, Senator Campbell introduced legislation to authorize the establishment of the Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site as a unit of the National Park System. Enactment of this bill is an important step toward completing that effort. I urge its approval by the House.

Mr. UDALL of New Mexico. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. FORTUÑO. Mr. Speaker, I have no further requests for time, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Puerto Rico (Mr. FORTUÑO) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 481, as amended.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

AUTHORIZING ESTABLISHMENT AT ANTIETAM NATIONAL BATTLEFIELD OF NEW HAMPSHIRE MEMORIAL

Mr. PEARCE. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 1084) to authorize the establishment of a memorial to the officers and enlisted men of the Fifth, Sixth, and Ninth New Hampshire Volunteer Infantry Regiments and the First New Hampshire Light Artillery Battery who fought in the Battle of Antietam on September 17, 1862, and for other purposes, as amended.

The Clerk read as follows:

H.R. 1084

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW HAMPSHIRE MEMORIAL, ANTIETAM NATIONAL BATTLEFIELD, MARYLAND.

(a) MEMORIAL AUTHORIZED.—The Secretary of the Interior shall authorize the establish-

ment, at a suitable location approved by the Secretary within the boundaries of Antietam National Battlefield, of a memorial to the officers and enlisted men of the Fifth, Sixth, and Ninth New Hampshire Volunteer Infantry Regiments and the First New Hampshire Light Artillery Battery who fought in the Battle of Antietam on September 17, 1862.

(b) AUTHORIZED ENTITY.—The Secretary shall select the persons who will be permitted to establish the memorial authorized by subsection (a).

(c) DESIGN APPROVALS.—The size, design, and inscriptions of the memorial authorized by subsection (a) shall be subject to the approval of the Secretary.

(d) PROHIBITION ON USE OF FEDERAL FUNDS FOR ESTABLISHMENT.—No Federal funds may be expended to design the memorial authorized by subsection (a), to acquire the memorial, to prepare the site selected for the memorial, or to install the memorial.

(e) SUSPENSION FOR MISREPRESENTATION IN FUNDRAISING.—The Secretary may suspend the authority of the persons selected under subsection (b) to establish the memorial authorized by subsection (a) if the Secretary determines that fundraising efforts relating to the memorial have misrepresented an affiliation with the memorial or the Federal Government.

(f) ANNUAL REPORT.—Until the memorial authorized by subsection (a) is installed, the persons selected under subsection (b) to establish the memorial shall submit to the Secretary an annual report of operations related to fundraising efforts for the memorial and progress on the establishment of the memorial.

(g) MAINTENANCE.—Upon installation of the memorial authorized by subsection (a), the Secretary shall assume responsibility for the maintenance of the memorial. The Secretary may accept contributions for the maintenance of the memorial from the persons selected under subsection (b) to establish the memorial and from other persons. Amounts accepted under this subsection shall be merged with other funds available to the Secretary for the maintenance of the memorial and credited to a separate account with the National Park Service.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from New Mexico (Mr. PEARCE) and the gentleman from New Mexico (Mr. UDALL) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from New Mexico (Mr. PEARCE).

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. PEARCE. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on H.R. 1084, the bill under consideration.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New Mexico?

There was no objection.

Mr. PEARCE. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, House Resolution 1084 introduced by the gentleman from New Hampshire (Mr. BRADLEY) would authorize the construction of a memorial at the Antietam National Battlefield to members of the New Hampshire Infantry that fought in the Battle of Antietam. The bill directs the Secretary of the Interior to select persons responsible for the establishment of the me-

morial and prohibits the use of Federal funds in the design, acquisition, preparation, and installation of the memorial. Additionally, the Secretary must approve the size, design, and inscriptions placed on the monument. Once the memorial is in place, the Secretary will accept responsibility for maintenance, but will be permitted to accept donations into a specific account for the New Hampshire memorial.

I urge passage of the bill.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. UDALL of New Mexico. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

(Mr. UDALL of New Mexico asked and was given permission to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. UDALL of New Mexico. Mr. Speaker, as the majority has explained, H.R. 1084 authorizes the establishment of a Civil War Memorial to New Hampshire soldiers who fought at the Battle of Antietam in 1862.

Evidently, New Hampshire is the only State that participated in the Battle of Antietam that does not have a memorial to its soldiers at the site. The citizens of New Hampshire are proud of their ancestors' participation in the battle and would like to commemorate their participation.

Mr. Speaker, we have no objection to the adoption of H.R. 1084, as amended, by the House today.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to thank the majority and minority staff of the House Resources Committee, and especially Rick Healy of the Resources Committee, for their diligent work on this bill.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. PEARCE. Mr. Speaker, I also thank the staffs from both majority and minority to get this bill through.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from New Mexico (Mr. PEARCE) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 1084, as amended.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

NATIONAL FISH AND WILDLIFE FOUNDATION REAUTHORIZATION ACT OF 2005

Mr. PEARCE. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 1428) to authorize appropriations for the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, and for other purposes, as amended.

The Clerk read as follows:

H.R. 1428

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,